

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A method of positioning a tubular in a borehole defined by a wall, comprising:

delivering the tubular into the borehole;

positioning fixating the tubular in to the borehole wall , only after and not during said delivering, in a manner that leaves an annular space around it; and

expanding the tubular.

2. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, comprising:

providing a plurality of openings in said tubular;

disposing an extendable extending member members in from and relative to each said opening openings;

said extendable members penetrating the wall to accomplish said fixating .

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, comprising:

keeping said extendable members substantially within said tubular for run in.

4. (Original) The method of claim 2, comprising:

providing a closed end on at least one of said extendable members wherein said closed end is selectively driven toward the borehole wall.

5. (Original) The method of claim 2, comprising:

providing an open end on at least one of said extendable members wherein said open end is selectively driven toward the borehole wall.

6. (Original) The method of claim 2, comprising:

driving at least one of said extendable members toward the borehole wall with said expansion.

7. (Original) The method of claim 2, comprising:

driving at least one of said extendable members toward the borehole wall prior to said expansion.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, comprising:

locking at least one of said extendable members against collapse after said driving.

9. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, comprising:

penetrating the borehole wall with at least one of said extendable members.

10. (Original) The method of claim **9**, comprising:

providing an open leading end on at least one of said extendable members to facilitate said penetrating.

11. (Original) The method of claim **7**, comprising:

using internal pressure for said driving.

12. (Original) The method of claim **7**, comprising:

using mechanical force for said driving.

13. (Original) The method of claim **3**, comprising:

allowing said extendable members to extend no further than an upset or a coupling at a joint on said tubular prior to extending.

14. (Original) The method of claim **1**, comprising:

expanding said tubular with a swage.

15. (Original) The method of claim **1**, comprising:

expanding said tubular with internal pressure.

16. (Previously presented)

A method of positioning a tubular in a borehole, comprising:

delivering the tubular into the borehole;

positioning the tubular in the borehole in a manner that leaves an annular space around it; and

expanding the tubular;

providing a plurality of openings in said tubular;

disposing an extendable member in each said opening;

driving at least one of said extendable members toward the borehole wall prior to said expansion;

using internal pressure for said driving;

delivering a sealing material under pressure through said tubular;

accomplishing said driving with said pressurized sealing material in said tubular;

delivering the sealing material to said annular space.

17. (Original) The method of claim **16**, comprising:

expanding the tubular before the sealing material sets up.

18. (Original) The method of claim **2**, comprising:

- delivering a sealing material under pressure through said tubular;
- delivering the sealing material to said annular space;
- expanding the tubular before the sealing material sets up.

19. (Original) The method of claim **18**, comprising:

- providing an open end and a closed end on at least one of said extendable members.

20. (Original) The method of claim **19**, comprising:

- driving one of said ends into the borehole with at least one of applied pressure or force from within the tubular and physical expansion of the tubular.